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Preliminary Calculations of Maximum National Farm Production in 1944

The attached summary tables present the calculations of War Food Administration committees of the maximum production possible in 1944 in the whole United States. These calculations are not the final production goals. They are the basis for discussions now going on in each State of the Union. At these discussions, the State War Boards are expressing their best judgments as to what can be produced by farmers in their States. These judgments will be ruling. After the State conferences are completed, the goals accepted in each State will be summed up, and the total of State goals will constitute the national farm production goals for 1944.

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SUGGESTED PRODUCTION GOALS FOR 1944

WITH COMPARISONS

Production

Commodity	Unit	1937-41	Indicated 1943	Suggested 1944	% suggested 1944 is of 1943
(Thousands of Units)					
Wheat	Bu.	858,404	834,957	843,200	101
Rye	"	45,751	33,314	34,720	104
Rice	"	53,149	71,217	73,516	103
Corn	"	2,582,000	2,985,267	2,903,128	97
Oats	"	1,130,000	1,145,060	1,075,752	94
Barley	"	286,000	333,282	332,469	100
Soybeans for beans	"	76,253	208,763	243,015	116
Peanuts	Lbs.	1,392,000	2,801,515	3,701,000	132
Flax	Bu.	19,576	54,720	47,961	88
Broom corn	Tons	39	26	50	192
Dry beans	Cwt.	16,396	22,975	25,979	113
Dry peas	"	2,510	9,458	9,874	105
Potatoes	Bu.	361,218	460,512	446,000	97
Sweet potatoes	"	62,601	71,623	87,650	122
Sugar beets	Tons raw sugar	1,691	1,205	1,688	140
Sugar cane	" " "	460	520	589	113
Cotton	Bales	12,900	11,679	10,600	91
Tobacco, flue-cured	Lbs.	847,000	778,298	885,000	114
Tobacco, burley	"	370,000	371,337	436,000	117
Tobacco, other domestic	"	295,000	221,969	268,000	121
Processing vegetables	Tons	3,988	5,764	5,663	98
Fresh vegetables	"	6,628	7,015	6,322	90
Cover crops	Lbs.	84,000	230,000	218,000	95
All tame hay 1/	Tons	79,591	85,112	81,368	96

(Millions of Units)

Hog slaughter	Lbs.	8,539	13,082	13,520	103
Beef slaughter	"	7,198	9,058	10,593	117
Veal slaughter	"	1,020	1,045	1,231	118
Mutton and lamb slaughter	"	885	987	880	89
Poultry (Exc. Turkeys)	"	2,400	4,000	4,000	100
Turkeys	"	414	500	467	93
Total meat	"	20,456	28,672	30,691	107
Lard	"	1,964	2,874	3,120	109
Milk	"	107,899	118,302	122,000	103
Eggs	Doz.	3,577	4,970	5,000	101
Chickens (Incl. broilers) (dressed wt.)	Lbs.	2,400	4,000	4,000	100
Turkeys (dressed wt.)	Lbs.	414	500	467	93

1/ Includes peanut hay

SUGGESTED PRODUCTION GOALS FOR 1944 WITH COMPARISONS

Acres or Numbers

Commodity	1937-41	Indicated 1943	Suggested 1944	% suggested 1944 is of 1943
(Thousands of Acres)				
Wheat	69,311	54,159	68,000	126
Rye	3,700	2,875	2,800	97
Rice	1,118	1,538	1,538	100
Corn	91,975	96,818	100,000	103
Oats	39,646	42,654	39,000	91
Barley	14,290	17,893	17,500	98
All Sorghums, except Sirup	17,070	17,220	16,400	95
Soybeans for Beans	4,121	11,527	14,000	121
Peanuts	1,818	4,191	5,500	131
Flax	2,307	6,289	6,200	99
Hemp: Fiber	—	174	225	129
Seed	—	52	40	77
Broom Corn	—	—	400	—
Dry Beans	1,977	2,807	3,300	118
Dry Peas	280	748	875	117
Potatoes	2,913	3,444	3,500	102
Sweetpotatoes	741	923	1,000	108
Sugar Beets	914	636	900	142
Sugarcane	264	331	335	101
Cotton	26,357	21,995	22,000	100
Tobacco, Flue-cured	925	839	923	110
Tobacco, Burley	395	405	445	110
Tobacco, other domestic	292	227	250	110
Processing vegetables	1,426	2,106	2,225	106
Fresh vegetables	1,740	1,527	1,684	110
Cover crops 1/	220	406	461	114
All tame Hay 2/	57,197	60,489	62,023	103
Total of Crops listed	340,997	352,273	371,524	103

1/ Includes some hay acreage of which one crop is harvested for hay.

2/ Includes peanut hay.

(Thousands of Head)

Spring pig crop	46,771	74,050	62,000	84
Fall pig crop	30,388	53,000	43,000	81
Cattle slaughter	15,200	18,600	22,300	120
Calf slaughter	9,400	9,700	11,400	118
Hog slaughter	65,600	93,200	104,000	112
Sheep and lamb slaughter	21,900	24,700	22,000	89
Dairy cows (av. during year)	25,275	25,669	26,300	102
Hens and Pullets (Jan. 1)	376,576	487,089	540,812	111
Crickens raised on farms	656,464	925,652	900,000	97
Commercial broilers raised	110,927	248,576	200,000	80
Turkeys raised	30,723	33,176	32,000	96